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This amendment is filed in response to the office action dated 2002.10.02.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please withdraw claims 21 and 32 from consideration.

REMARKS

Claims 1-32 are in the case and subject to a restriction requirement, and claim 1-10 have previously been removed from consideration. Applicants hereby elect with traverse to prosecute Specie I of Group II, including claims 11-20 and 22-31. Thus, claims 21 and 32 are newly withdrawn from consideration. Reconsideration is requested.

The primary difference between the embodiment depicted in Figs. 1-5, labeled Specie I in the office action, and the embodiment depicted in Figs. 6-10, labeled Specie II in the office action, is that the embodiment of Figs. 6-10 places signal contacts in the perimeter of the contact array, and not all of the signal contacts so disposed are immediately adjacent a power contact. The differences between the two embodiments are described on page 14 of the specification.